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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant submits information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98.

This is a national phase filing of International Application No. PCT/SE00/01368, filed June 28, 2000.

Copies of the International Search Report dated October 31, 2000 and the International Preliminary Examination Report dated September 21, 2001 are provided. Applicants also provide a copy of the item cited in the International Search Report.

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The examination and allowance of the Application are respectfully requested.

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